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R 241610Z FEB 77
FM AMEMBASSY CONAKRY
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 2793
INFO AMEMBASSY COTONOU
AMEMBASSY LAGOS
AMEMBASSY PARIS
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E.O. 11652: N/A
TAGS: PINS PINT PFOR DM
SUBJECT: ALLEGED BENIN COUP EVIDENCE

REF: CONAKRY 0270

FRENCH AMBASSADOR, RECENTLY RETURNED FROM PARIS, SAYS
FRENCH AUTHORITIES HAVE ESTABLISHED THAT PUBLISHED
PHOTO OF ALLEGED WHITE MERCENARIES CAPTURED IN BENIN
(REFTEL) IS FAKE. FRENCH HAVE IDENTIFIED ALL DEPICTED
INDIVIDUALS: WHITE CIVILIAN COTONOU RESIDENTS, E.G.
AIRPORT OFFICIAL, AND TRANSIENTS TAKEN INTO CUSTODY
AFTER ALLEGED ATTACK. PHOTO WAS PUBLISHED IN GUINEA'S
PARTY JOURNAL HOROYA (JANUARY 23-29 ISSUE, PAGE 12)
CAPTIONED "CAPTURED ALIVE FROM THE WHITE HORDE OF
BEASTS UNLEASHED AGAINST THE FRATERNAL BENIN PEOPLE."
FRENCH AMBASSADOR DID NOT KNOW WHETHER GOF OR ANYONE
ELSE WAS PROVIDING EVIDENCE OF SUCH FAKERY TO THOSE IN-
VESTIGATING ALLEGED ATTACK. IT WOULD APPEAR TO BE IN
U.S. INTEREST (AND CERTAINLY FRENCH INTEREST) THAT THE
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UN FACTFINDING COMMISSION KNOW OF THIS.
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Message Attributes

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